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THE FROZEN NORTH.

Interesting Letter from Will Egert
in the Klondike.

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CHEAPER IN FACT FOR ALL COM-
MODITIES EXCEPTING SUGAR
THAN THEY ARE IN THE
STATES—FOUR OUT OF EVERY
FIVE WILL COME BACK HOME
FOR THE WINTER—EGERTER IS
NOW THE OWNER OF THREE
CLAIMS.The following interesting letter from
Will Egert, who is in the Alaska
Klondike region, was received yester-
day by a Wheeling friend, and the In-
telligencer is permitted to publish it:In Camp, on Klutina River, via Port
Valdes, Alaska, August 16, 1898.
My Dear Friend:Your most welcome, though short,
letter was received to-day, (dated June
25), and contents were eagerly read. I
will write you a little matter that might
interest you.We are camped on Klutina river,
about thirty miles from its mouth, or,
in fact, but eight miles from its source,
which, as with nearly all the rivers in
this country, is a glacier, or perhaps
several. The valley is for the most part
thickly wooded (spring and cotton-
wood), and the lowland is swampy. Our
camp is on a flat, within a few feet of
the river, and also only a foot or so
above the banks. The water is not, as
one would suppose, clear, but muddy
at all times, a sort of grey clay
coming from the glacier. We have clear
streams, though, of very fine, cold wa-
ter, formed by melting snow.The valley is probably four miles
wide. This is the place, as near as I
can briefly describe it, where we will,
as we now calculate, spend the winter.
We think, from indications that bear,
moose, caribou, beaver and the smallest
animals will be abundant; in fact, bear
are getting to be quite troublesome in
the neighborhood, no less than two men
having been terribly mutilated, and one
may die, having been struck in the face
by one of the past week. My partner
(Bob), shot one (a cinnamon), weighing
over 400 pounds some days ago, and we
got about 100 pounds of meat to camp,
when the river rose so it took our bridge
of logs, and we were unable to get more
of it. In getting it back a mountain
goat was also added to the spoils, so we
have had plenty of fresh meat, and
both were fine. When to this is added
duck and immense quantities of salmon,
which are now running, you may
guess that we do not trouble our bac-
con much, and your guess would be cor-
rect. Salmon are caught mostly with
a spear, occasionally with nets and at
times they run so thick that a shovelful
at times they almost—and in some cases
do—crowd each other onto the banks of
the streams. They range in weight
from eight to thirty-five pounds, some-
times larger. The latter are called king
salmon, the others hump-back, dog and
red, the red being the finest meat. We
are just starting to-day a quantity for
use this winter. Meat at almost any
season may be hung out and be in no
danger of spoiling. The air is not damp,
and meat will dry before it spoils. This
reminds me that if any of my friends
are suffering from catarrh this is the
place to come. Since my arrival I have
not been troubled at all. I believe that
I have been entirely cured. My general
health has been good, excepting a dull
headache, which all here seem to get,
(caused perhaps by wind and high alti-
tude), I have never been better in my
life.Hundreds—I may say thousands—
have left, and will no doubt bring back
news that will not be very encouraging;
in fact, "froze" this country, but no-
one here is yet in a position to say that
gold does not exist in this section. I
know it does, and the only question is:
Can it be found so as to be worked at a
profit?Our present plan is to stay here until
early spring. Then to make our way to-
ward the Kink river, which is some-
where near 100 miles westward. I do
not think gold will be found in paying
quantities on Copper river proper, as it
is not possible to reach bed rock in that
stream. The Copper is a deep stream,
full of dangerous rapids, and kept in its
beds by immense clay banks and can-
ons. When a "strike" is made, depend
on it, it will not be on the Copper river,
but on one or more of its tributaries.I have three claims now—two placer
and one quartz—located, one at "Blind
Gulch," on Klutina river, one on Con-
sina river, and one quartz on Independ-
ence creek. I do not expect anything of
importance to develop from any of these.It may be interesting to know how
claims are staked, so I will briefly de-
scribe it. When a strike is made the
person making the discovery is entitled
to double the amount of a regular
claim. A regular size claim is: Placer,
and quartz, 660 feet by 1,300 feet, or 50
acres; other claims are staked above
and below, and numbered or named. A
meeting is called, eight men, at least,
being necessary, a recorder elected, who
surveys and correctly stakes the land,
and charges \$2. The manner of stakingis to drive a stake in the center of a
claim, squaring the stake, and writing
thereon the number of feet in each di-
rection claimed. Work must be done on
them within thirty days, or the claim is
forfeited, and \$100 worth of work must
be done on placers each year, for three
years, to hold the same. A patent is
then applied for and issued without
question, after which the claim passes
into the possession of the holder. \$100
worth of work is supposed to mean a
hole ten feet square.There is no danger of famine here this
winter, as provisions are very plentiful
owing to the amount going home. I do
not think one out of every five will stay
to face the hard winter, which we are
sure to have.I think I mentioned some prices in a
recent letter. The situation is now
changed, and anything except sugar,
can be had almost for the asking. Flour
is a drug on the market at 20c per pound.
Beans 50c a sack of 50 pounds. Evap-
orated potatoes, costing 12½c per pound
in the states, 1 to 20c per pound.I bought a good double-barreled shot-
gun and 120 shells yesterday for \$2.50.
A vest, (canvas-blanket lined), for 40c.
Ten pounds of good tea, sold for 25c, so
you see there is no danger of starva-
tion. A month ago I paid \$12 for a pair
of rubber boots. To-day I could buy
all I want for 50c to \$1.50.This is enough to give you an idea
of the changes that have taken place
within a month.Currants, huckleberries, blueberries,
etc., are ripe, and are fine. Currants are
a brilliant red, and much larger than
those we have at home, some of them
being as large as gooseberries. Black
currants are also found. To-day for
dinner we had roast duck, currant and
custard pie (made with condensed milk
and evaporated eggs), we have no lard,
and bacon fat answers all purposes for
frying, shortening, and also butter, for
we eat it on bread.I received in 30-day's mail a cook
book, but have not yet examined it, and
while we will not be able to make many
good things, our imaginations are in ex-
cellent working order.We keep fairly well informed on war
news, and while it reaches us some time
after it occurs, it is news. The news we
are most interested in is that of
which we get the least, i. e., Alaska
news. Our kind friends send all kinds
of news but that in which we are most
interested. Send clippings containing
Alaskan news.My partner Bob (Hawkins), is a jolly
good fellow, and we get along nicely.
Bob is as brave as a lion, and I would
not fear to trust him anywhere or with
anything, not excepting even my life.
He will stick to me through all, and at
the finish we will no doubt be found to-
gether. We will have many hardships
yet for an Alaskan winter is not a round
of pleasure. For example: 150° below
zero to death on Copper river last win-
ter.There are three tribes there. Siwash,
Nicolai and Copper River. They are
quite religious, and belong to the Rus-
sian church. They are also very hon-
est. Goods that are lost in streams and
found by them are taken out, dried and
brought to camp, awaiting claimants.
Strangely little is seen of the squaws,
and if all look like the ones that I have
seen, I shall not worry if I see no more.
They are quite small, and just as lazy
as I am, if possible.Well, I'll use all my paper if I don't
soon quit. But I can't tell just how
long it will be possible to get mail over
the glacier, as it is full of crevasses,
and very dangerous. When it becomes
better in the spring, when the snow has
covered the holes and cracks, I look for
another "bunch" of humanity, but not
as many as tried it this year.We are promised free delivery of mail
next month by Lieut. Abercrombie, U.
S. A., stationed at Valdez, but now on
the Interior, trying to find an American
route to Dawson and Circle City.Don't think me dead if no mail ar-
rives through the winter, as I fear I
can't get word out, but as often as I am
able I'll let you hear from me.With kindest regards to all enquiring
friends, I am,
Yours truly,
W. H. EGERTER.

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BURGH TO CAIRO—THE ENTER-
TAINMENT COMMITTEE BUSY
YESTERDAY CONCLUDING AR-
RANGEMENTS FOR WEDNES-
DAY'S RECEPTION—FINANCE
COMMITTEE PUTS IN SOME
HARD LICKS.The river improvement convention is
nearly a thing of the living present, and
from the indications it appears that the
third annual convention of the Ohio
Valley Improvement Association will be
one of the largest and most successful
in the short and brilliantly successful
career of the organization. The local
committees have made all the neces-
sary arrangements for the reception
and entertainment of 200 visiting dele-
gates, and unless the signs fail the at-
tendance will nearly reach that figure.
Delegations are coming from the towns
and cities on the river in Ohio, Penn-
sylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky, In-
diana and Illinois, reaching from Pitts-
burgh to Cairo, and in addition there
will probably be representation from
the towns on the recently freed Monon-
gahela river, including Fairmont, Mor-
gantown and Brownsville. The freeing
of the Monongahela came about largely
through the actively exerted influence
of the Ohio Valley Improvement Asso-
ciation, so it is not surprising that the
citizens of that great valley feel dis-
posed to come to Wheeling and push on
the good work of river improvement
even after they are not so directly in-
terested as they were.Yesterday afternoon, the entertain-
ment committee went out to Wheeling
Park and made the final arrangements
for the reception on Wednesday even-
ing. The Casino is to be handsomely
decorated for the occasion, under the
direction of Messrs. Clarke Hamilton, J.
B. McKee and M. R. Wolff, the enter-
tainment committee, whose good taste
can be relied upon to do the work well.The finance committee has finally
completed its work, and it has been
done well, thanks to the energy and
stickativeness shown by three members
of the committee, Messrs. Morris Hork-
heimer, Frank G. Caldwell and D. E.
Stalnaker. Upon this trio devolved
practically all of the work of raising the
money to defray the convention ex-
penses. The committee started with the
intention of raising \$2,000. Yesterday
afternoon, the subscriptions footed up
\$1,985. Mr. Caldwell said he was de-
termined to bring the total over \$2,000,
and he did it, securing a subscription of \$25
from a manufacturer, who had not been
previously seen, last night. The thanks
and gratitude of the chamber of com-
merce will be cordially extended to the
gentlemen named above; without them
the money needed might not have been
raised.The invitation committee sent out ad-
ditional invitations last night upon re-
ceipt of the additional report from the
finance committee. Invitations have
been sent to a number of prominent
people, including Senators Elkins and
Faulkner, of West Virginia; Congress-
men Dovenor, Dorr, Dayton and Miller,
of West Virginia; Hon. Jackson V.
Blair, of Weston; Hon. John T. Mc-
Graw, of Grafton; Hon. John W. Ma-
son, of Fairmont; ex-Governor A. B.
Fleming, of Fairmont; Governor Daniel
H. Hastings, of Pennsylvania; Gover-
nor Asa S. Bushnell, of Ohio; Governor
W. G. Bradley, of Kentucky; Governor
Tanner, of Illinois; Governor Atkinson,
of West Virginia; Congressman E. T.
Atcheson, of Washington, Pa.; Con-
gressmen Stone and Dinkell, of Pitts-
burgh; Congressman Danford, of St.
Clairsville; Congressman Gerry, of
Newport, Ky.; Senators Hanna and
Foraker, of Ohio; President Cowen, of
the Baltimore & Ohio; ex-Governor W.
A. MacCorkle, of Charleston; Judge
Nathan Goff, of Clarksburg; Hon. A. B.
White, of Parkersburg; Judge Romeo
H. Freer, of Harrisville; to the members
of the congressional committee on riv-
ers and harbors; to the mayors of the
towns and cities on the river between
Pittsburgh and Cairo; to the editors of
the newspapers in the river towns and
cities, and to many other well known
people.Mr. Knoke for First Branch.
The regular meeting of council takes
place this evening, and nothing im-
portant aside from the transaction of
routine business is on. Owing to the
resignation of Capt. Thomas Davison,
who has given up his pottery interests
here and left the city, there will be a
vacancy in the first branch. The eighth
warder likely to fill Mr. Davison's shoes
is William Knoke, who now ably rep-
resents his ward in the Second branch.
There are several names suggested for
the vacancy Mr. Knoke will cause in
the second branch. George Bell was
spoken of, but it is not known whether
Mr. Bell will accept.COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEET.
Three council committees met last
night and audited bills. The committee
on fire department ordered paid bills
amounting to \$1,149 75; that on markets,
\$96 65, and on cemeteries, \$71 05. The
committee on health is called to meet at
7 o'clock this evening, before council
takes up.The War is Over
And now our thoughts are all of peace
and hope. There are, too often, peo-
ple to be found who have no home, and
it is to them these few words are ad-
dressed. If you really want a home you
can easily get one, but you should act
at once before the relapse from the war
puts prices on the advance. In Mari-
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modest figure. Excellent home markets
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ABOUT PEOPLE

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Peo-
ple Absent.Charles Bodell, of Charleston, is a
guest of the Windsor.C. G. Buchanan was a Wellsburg vis-
itor in the city yesterday.Miss Maud Lawrence, of Sistersville,
is registered at the Stamm.Will Meek returned yesterday from a
brief sojourn in West Liberty.Miss Dora Bixon, of Zanesville, is
visiting friends on the South Side.Miss Lena Krager returned yesterday
morning from a visit to Cleveland.Thomas G. Williams and C. Conn, of
Sistersville, registered at the McLoire
yesterday.County Engineer Robert Hazlett
leaves this morning for a business trip
to Cleveland.George Lingaman, of the Howell,
leaves next week on a ten day trip to
Niagara Falls.Miss Emma Beall, of the Island, has
returned from a visit of several weeks
to relatives in Pittsburgh.C. E. Yeater, of Adaline, H. B. Blazer,
of Glenwood, and J. W. Hanly, of Apple
Grove, are West Virginians at the
Howell.Dr. John H. Pipes is recovering his
health slowly at Mountain Lake Park,
according to a letter received by a
Wheeling friend yesterday.A party of St. Clairsville people in the
city yesterday, included: Rodney
Barnes, E. G. McBride, Miss Trol, Miss
McBride, A. L. Bumgarner, J. E. Strad-
er and L. E. Emerson and wife.Mr. Alexander Laing, of the firm of
Greer & Laing, has returned to Wheel-
ing, after a pleasant two months' so-
journ in Scotland, accompanied by his
niece. While in Scotland, Mr. Laing
visited his boyhood's home.Trooper Otto O. Anderson, of Troop
H, Third United States Cavalry, re-
turning to his home in Weston, stopped
at the Stamm yesterday and presented
Clark Fred Wells with several Santa
agavevenirs. Mr. Anderson is on a
furlough from Montauk Point.Among the Wheeling boys who re-
turned to school at Lawrenceville, N. J.,
yesterday and Sunday, were the follow-
ing: Louis D. Grubb, Harold J. Wise,
Morgan O. Heskell, Harold Bloch, Eu-
gene Hildreth, Merta Fransheim, Wil-
bur Topping and Halstead Caldwell.Miss Mary T. Martin accompanied by
her friend, Miss Annie O'Brien, return-
ed to New York City last evening, hav-
ing passed Saturday and Sunday at
Mt. de Chantal academy, of which in-
stitution the former was a pupil. The
musical recital given by Miss O'Brien
was a perfect success. Her voice pos-
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